Police authorities, who are taking all posible preventive measures to control the crime.

(d) It is not possible to give an answer as specific instances have not been mentioned.

Promotion of Iron ore Exports

3481. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared any specific proposal for the promotion of exports of iron ore; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) In order to promote exports of iron ore, these have to be competitive in the international market and marketing efforts have to be intensified. Government has taken steps aimed at expanding port capacity to receive large size vessels, increase in rail capacities and increase availability of iron ore. Iron ore exports have been diversified to new markets and increased share has been obtained in the existing major markets.

Unpaid prize money of lotteries

3482. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that huge sums of prize money on winning tickets of lotteries run by the Goa Government (Institute of Public Assistance) through the Lottery Agents remain unpaid;

(b) what is the outstanding unpaid amount and the period of accumulation of the prize money and other amounts due to the Goa Government from the said Lottery Agents; and

(c) whether the Central Government propose to direct the Goa Government and other such defaulting States and Union Territories Government to stop the use of such Agents and run lotteries by making use of the Government machinery as is done by the Maharashtra Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Requisite information, on receipt from the State Government, shall be placed on the table of the House.

(c) Guidelines have been issued to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations on conduct of lotteries.

Revision of pay scales in Indian Council of Arbitration

3483. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the pay scales of employees of the Indian Counicl of Arbitration have not been revised as recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the pay scales are likely to be revised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) The question of extending the pay scales recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission to the employees of Export Promotion Councils including Indian Council of Arbitration has been considered. However, in the meantime, the All India Export Promotion Council Employees Federation representing the employees union of various EPCs have

filed a Writ Petition in the Supreme Court praying that the recommendations of the Fourth Pay Commission should not be extended to them. In view of this, it has not been possible to implement this decision.

दिल्ली प्रशासन के आबकारी विभाग के दैनिक वेतन कर्मकार

3484. **श्री नृपेन्द्र कुमार पट्टनायक** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि दिल्ली आबकारी विभाग में देशी शराब के ठेकों पर पिछले 3/5 वर्षों से दैनिक वेतन (मस्टर रोल) पर लगातार कार्य करते आ रहे कर्मचारों को अभी तक स्थायी नहीं किया गया है जबकि वे अपनी सेवा के 240 दिन भी पूरे कर चुके हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) इन कर्मचारों को कब तक स्थायी किये जाने की सम्भावना है और इस सम्बन्ध में नियम क्या हैं ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम्) : (क) जी, हां, श्रीमान् ।

(ख) नियमित पदों की अनुपलब्धता ।

(ग) वित्त योजना के अधीन नये पदों के सृजन पर रोक लगाई गई है । रोक हटाये जाने पर नियमित पदों का सृजन किया जा सकता है ।

Hotel Janpath, New Delhi

3485. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of complaints have been made to the management of Hotel Janpath, New Delhi by guests and customers against the poor service standards and lack of amenities in the Hotel during the last six months;

(b) whether some people also recorded their written complaints both in the hotel format and complaints book at the reception counter of the Hotel;

(c) if so, the number of complaints recorded by guests and customers in the book and the action taken thereon and whether the individuals have been replied to properly or not; and

(d) what steps are being taken to overhaul the management which is presently failing to render appropriate service promptly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):

(a) to (c) During the last six months (Feb) to July 1987) out of 17684 guests who stayed in Hotel Janapath, 34 guests have complained through guest opinion forms placed in their rooms.

No complaint was however, recorded by guests in the complaint/suggestion book kept at the Reception Counter during this period.

Complaints received from the guests are promptly attended to. Wherever necessary replies were also sent to them.

(d) Since most of the complaints related to airconditioning, non-functioning of TV, delay in room service, housekeeping and unsatisfactory telephone service, 150 rooms out of 212 have been renovated by the management. Works relating to airconditioning, replacement of PBX board and provision of master TV Antenna are in hand. Restaurants and public areas are shortly to be renovated.

Ad-hoc promotions in the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts)

3486. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of ad hoc appointments in the Office of the